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September 12, 1975

Mr. Dresnin
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New York, New York

Open Letter to Mr. Dresnin, Author, The Guns of Autumn

Dear Mr. Dresnin:

I am not a member of the NRA, any gun club or sportsman's organization.

After viewing your "documentary" The Guns of Autumn, I feel obliged to reciprocate by sending you the same thing you sent me. Therefore, you will find a small quantity of manure enclosed. I intended to send a quantity equal to what you spread in my living room but the bull didn't have time to produce that much.

Arizona manure is a much higher grade than that produced in New York. You can determine this by placing a quantity between your thumb and index finger and snuffing it. Notice its odor. It is honest.

I suggest that the next time you write a "documentary" as skewed as The Guns of Autumn, you rub a little Arizona manure on it to give it an odor of editorial comment.

John Peter Zenger would roll over in his grave if he saw what you have done.

Contrary to popular opinion, C B S, does have a fiction department.

HURRAH FOR S D X

I think I am going to throw up!

Happy Hunting,

Franklin A. Zinky

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Mr. Franklin A. Zinky
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Dear Mr. Zinky:

Thank you very much for your letter of 12 September 75 regarding "CBS Reports: The Guns of Autumn."

I had always been impressed with Arizonans as straight-talking men and women willing to give you a piece of their minds and I hereby acknowledge having received a piece of yours.

Sincerely,

Irv Drasnin
Producer